

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Torrance, California,
November 17, 1924.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, November 17, 1924, and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Smith. The following Trustees were present: Brooks, Deininger, Torrence and Smith.
Absent: Fitzhugh:

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 3, 1924, were read and approved as read.

The minutes of the adjourned, regular meeting of November 10, 1924, were read and approved as read.

A letter from Mrs. Nettie Steinhilber read:

"I am buying Lot 16, Block 23, Torrance Tract, which will later be used as Church property. Can you tell me if this property is in the Church Zone, or if there is a procedure to make it such?"

Action on above was to be taken later in the evening.

President Smith called for protests against the changing of the setback line in Block 57.

No written protests had been filed nor were any voiced.
Action on same was to come up under new business.

The continued hearing of protests against the paving of Cabrillo Avenue was called.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 203
OVERRULING PROTESTS ON CABRILLO PAVING

Trustee Deininger moved that Resolution No. 203 be adopted as read, and same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Fitzhugh.

Attorney Briney dictated:

RESOLUTION NO. 204

BE IT RESOLVED, That the proceedings for the improvement of Cabrillo Avenue, under Resolution of Intention No. 194, be, and the same are hereby, abandoned, and said Resolution of Intention hereby rescinded.

Trustee Torrence moved that Resolution No. 204 be adopted as dictated, and a copy of same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Fitzhugh.

Trustee Deininger moved that the City Engineer be reimbursed for all personal expenses incurred on the Cabrillo Avenue proceedings. Trustee Torrence seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustee Fitzhugh.

The continued Alley paving hearing was again called up by the President.

Engineer Jessup recommended the over-ruling of protests on the Alley paving and that new proceedings be instituted so as to leave out portions of alleys where protests had been filed.

In this connection, Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 205

OVER RULING PROTESTS ON ALLEY PAVING

Trustee Torrence moved that Resolution No. 205 be adopted as read, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence, Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Trustee Fitzhugh came in during the reading of the above resolution.

The Attorney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 206

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance that Resolution of Intention No. 196 be, and the same is hereby, rescinded; and that proceedings taken under said Resolution of Intention are hereby rescinded.

Trustee Torrence moved that Resolution No. 206 be adopted as read and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence, Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Reference was taken back to oral communications, there being none, the regular order of business was resumed.

Trustee Deininger reported that he had before him an application for the operation of a gasoline station at the corner of Madrona and Carson.

Trustee Deininger moved that a permit be granted to erect and maintain a gas station at Madrona and Carson. Trustee Torrence seconded the motion which was duly carried.

The above mentioned Trustee also showed a plan with application for the erection of a corrugated iron building to be used as a fruit stand and lunch room on Lot 1, Block 4.

Trustee Brooks moved that permission, as requested above, be granted for a period of six months and thereafter to be subject to the pleasure of the Board. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Plans for the erection of a municipal warehouse were presented by Trustee Deininger, same contained material specifications and estimated cost which was \$800.00.

Trustee Deininger moved that the City Engineer be instructed and authorized to proceed with the erection of said warehouse. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence, Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Trustee Deininger stated that he had gone over the park situation with Mr. Howard, formerly of Howard & Smith, and Mr. Howard had offered to submit plans for three parks, such plans containing intimate details as to walks, shrubs, flowers, sprinkling system, etc., at a cost of \$200.00; and moved that Mr. Howard be retained to submit such plans at the specified remuneration. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence, Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None. ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Trustee Deininger reported that the new motor installation at the Septic tank had been completed and was working, but that the cement pipe had broken in places on account of high pressure. Mr. Jessup thought that 100 feet of steel pipe over the hill would be ultimately necessary to hold the line.

The Street Superintendent was authorized to make the necessary repairs from time to time as needed, on motion by Trustee Deininger. The motion was not seconded.

Trustee Fitzhugh reported progress on revamping of Ordinances.

Trustee Torrence reported that, as the new City Marshal had been on duty only a few days, a report could not be expected from him; that Mr. Phillips acted as Chief for a time and had had more responsibility and longer hours, and thought it no more than right that he should be allowed the same salary for this work as was obtaining at the time, and moved that Mr. Phillips be compensated at the rate of \$225.00 per month during his tenure of office as Acting Chief of Police. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Trustee Fitzhugh mentioned that the appreciation of the Board should be extended to Mr. Phillips for the way he had attended to the work during his time as Acting Chief.

Trustee Torrence brought up the matter of paying off lease contracts before they ordinarily came due in order to save interest. The matter was dropped after the Attorney ruled the same might not be done.

"The Street Lights question had been taken up from different angles", said Trustee Torrence, "but nothing definite accomplished; that report would be made later".

The new Police Chief requested copies of different ordinances applicable to his department, through Trustee Torrence. As revamping and printing the ordinances was under consideration by the Ordinance committee, it was thought possible to arrange this matter by the next meeting.

Under unfinished business, Trustee Torrence moved that the Clerk be instructed to re-advertise for bids for a certain franchise as applied for by the Seaboard Petroleum Co. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

On Attorney Briney's statement that the State authorities were ready to appoint a sub-registrar of vital statistics, President Smith recommended that L. O. Stevens be named for the appointment.

Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 98
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 51
in re set back line in block 57

Trustee Deininger moved that Ordinance No. 98 be approved as read for its first reading. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Trustee Deininger moved that a lease on a portion of the sewer farm, whereby same is leased to Mr. Peters, be approved and the President of the Board and the City Clerk be authorized to execute said lease. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Under new business, Trustee Fitzhugh introduced and read:
ORDINANCE NO. 99

Attorney Briney dictated:
RESOLUTION NO. 207

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance that the plat, this day presented to this Board, showing the exterior boundary of a proposed assessment district within which district property shall be assessed to pay for the improvement of certain alleys therein, and as shown on said plat.

Trustee Deininger moved that Resolution No. 207 be adopted as dictated and a copy of same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Attorney Briney read:
RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 208
for alley paving

Trustee Torrence moved that Resolution of Intention No. 208 be adopted as read, and same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

In order to save the Hospital Ass'n a matter of \$200.00, Mr. Briney said the abandonment of the alley might be put through by simply making out a quit claim deed if the Trust Co. would accept such a deed, and dictated:

RESOLUTION NO. 209

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance that the President of the Board and the City Clerk be, and they are hereby, authorized to execute and deliver to the Torrance Hospital Association, a Quit Claim deed on behalf of the City quitclaiming all right, title and interest of the City to the said corporation, on the following described property:

Beginning at the Northeasterly corner of Lot 13, Block 27, Torrance Tract, as recorded in Book 22, at pages 94 and 95 of Maps in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California; thence along the Southeasterly ends of Lots 13 and 12, South 47° 25' 50" East 203.15 feet to a point, said point being North 47° 25' 50" East 21.03 feet from the Southerly line of Lot 12; Thence on a curve concave Southwesterly, having a radius of 35 feet Easterly and Southwesterly, a distance of 21.28 feet measured on the arc of said curve, to a point in the Northwesterly end of Lot 6, said Block 27; thence North 47° 25' 50" East along the Northwesterly line of said Lot 6, and the prolongation Northeasterly thereof, 212.77 feet, more or less,

to the Northeastly corner of Lot 2, said Block 27; thence on a direct line North 52° 06' 28" West 20.28 feet to point of beginning.

Trustee Deininger moved that Resolution No. 209 be adopted as dictated, and same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustees Brooks and Torrence seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that the City donate the usual \$50.00 toward the municipal Christmas tree. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 210
ABANDONING A PORTION OF REDONDO BOULEVARD

Trustee Deininger moved that Resolution of Intention No. 210 be adopted as read, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Trustee Torrence moved that the regular proceedings for the changing of zone be instituted to rezone Lot 16, Block 23, as per the request of Mrs. Steinhilber, also that Mrs. Steinhilber be notified of this action. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that all bills, properly audited be paid. Trustee Torrence seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Fitzhugh, Torrence and Smith.

NOES; Trustees: None.

ABSENT; Trustees: None.

At 9:20 p.m., on motion by Trustee Torrence, seconded by Trustee Brooks, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

C. M. Briney
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

W. R. Smith
President of the Board of Trustees
of the City of Torrance.